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1200 SIXTH AVENUE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98101

REPLY TO M/S 525

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Dear Sir or Madam:

On January 11, 1984, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the State of Washington Department of Ecology, and the U.S. Department of Justice held a meeting for the potentially responsible parties associated with the Western Processing Company, Inc. site in Kent, Washington. After the Government's meeting, an ad hoc committee of the potentially responsible parties was formed. This ad hoc committee requested that EPA provide the total quantities taken by each potentially responsible party to the site. In response to this request, we are now sending the enclosed lists to all potentially responsible parties.

These summaries are being provided to aid the potentially responsible parties in forming a permanent negotiating committee. Mr. Ralph Palumbo, of Lane, Powell, Moss, Miller, 3800 Rainier Bank Tower, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 223-7000, has been functioning as the spokesperson of the ad hoc committee in discussions with Mr. Jackson Fox, Assistant U.S. Attorney, the lead Government negotiator.

These lists are summations of the data in EPA's computer base. Most potentially responsible parties who sent in signed affidavits to EPA have received information on their individual transactions in EPA's computer base. We were not able to adjust for errors which have been brought to EPA's attention prior to preparing these summaries. Further clarification of records by potentially responsible parties may also modify these figures. For these and other reasons, these summaries should be considered draft.

Some potentially responsible parties' names may be missing from these lists. This is because all of EPA's information is not on the computer base. These parties are still considered to be potentially responsible parties.

If you find significant discrepancies in these summaries, please notify Mr. Jackson Fox in writing at the U.S. Attorney's Office, 3600 SeaFirst Fifth Avenue Plaza, 800 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104. We will adjust our records if appropriate. We may ask you to give us copies of the relevant records at that time.



The enclosed information is exempt from mandatory disclosure by EPA. However, a limited discretionary release is being made in order to further settlement negotiations with the government and to encourage communication among the potentially responsible parties.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Findley Deputy Director

Air & Waste Management Division

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